

## Regular

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Mr. Rice called the November 16, 2011 regular meeting of the Eastern Local Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Eichinger, present; Mrs. Taylor, present; Mr. Rice, present; Mr. Will, present; Mr. Hall, present.

226-2011 AGENDA: Will moved to approve the ordering of the agenda.  
Second by Hall.

VOTE: Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes.

227-2011 TREASURER'S REPORT BLANKET MOTION: Taylor moved to approve the following items:  
MINUTES: The minutes of the October 19, 2011 regular meeting of the Eastern Local Board of Education.  
FINANCIAL REPORTS: Financial reports for the month of October as submitted.  
Second by Will.

VOTE: Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes.

STUDENT ACHEIVEMENT: Mr. Will recognized the Varsity Girls Volleyball Team and all their achievements that took them to the Final Four State Tournament. Mr. Will also recognized our newly elected board member Floyd Ridenour.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Mrs. Howard, Elementary Principal, presented the following: 1. Calendar of events for the month of November and December. 2. Mrs. Mary Ann Moore and the Junior Health Team have been working on the Eastern Energy publication that has been sent home for students and parents. 3. The Cause We Care program has been very active. \$400 has been raised for leukemia and lymphoma. Crayons, coloring books, and activity pads have been donated for cancer patients. Pop tabs are also being collected for the Ronald McDonald House. October was Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The school participated in "pink" Tuesday with close to 500 students, staff, parents and community members arranging to form a pink ribbon on the football field and a picture was taken. Nearly \$4,000 was raised for this cause. November is thank a veteran month. The display case contains pictures of veterans associated with our community and school. The display case was prepared by Shilo Little, Judy King and Angie Damewood.

Mr. Bush, High School Principal, presented the following: 1. Calendar of events for the months of November and December. 2. Enrollment in grades 7 through 12 of 356 students. 3. A Veterans Day Program was held in the high school. It was led by Lee Sienicki, Assistant Varsity Football Coach. 4. November 29, 2011 will be the fall sports banquet. 5. The Good Choices Summit was a success.

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The summit included presentations from a strength team and the evolution of dance. The summit was geared to students and making good life choices.

Mr. Shannon Brown representing the Class of 2012 addressed the board of education regarding approval of the trip to Orlando, Florida from April 21, 2012 through April 27, 2011. Mr. Brown and Ms. Baylee Collins presented an itinerary for the trip. Currently 33 students are planning on attending the trip.

Mr. Brown also addressed the board regarding student council having representation at the board meeting on at least a quarterly basis. This would give the students the opportunity to provide input to the board of education.

Mr. Gheen, Superintendent, presented the following: 1. Eastern High School was presented a certificate from the Ohio Department of Education for achieving the designation of excellence. 2. The treasurer's office staff was presented the Ohio Auditor of State Award. This award is presented for exemplary financial reporting in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for the year 2010. 3. Policy updates from NEOLA.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Mr. Dale Wheeler of Lloyd's Electronics addressed the board regarding the FCC mandate for transition to narrowband operations in the 150-174MHz and 421-512 MHz bands. The district must comply with this mandate by January 1, 2013. Mr. Wheeler presented information regarding converting our existing system to digital.

Mr. Michael T. Struble presented information to the board regarding proposed HB 136. The bill would expand the existing voucher system to include all public school districts regardless of the academic performance of the district. It is estimated this bill will cost the State of Ohio an additional \$480 million.

228-2011 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Will moved to adjourn into executive session for the consideration of the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, official, or student; and preparing for, conducting, or reviewing negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of employment.

Second by Hall.

**VOTE:** Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes

The board adjourned into executive session at 7:45 p.m. with the following attending: Board Members Eichinger, Hall, Rice, Taylor and Will. Mrs. Ritchie, Treasurer, and Mr. Gheen, Superintendent, were asked to join the session at various times. The board reconvened into regular session at 8:48 p.m.

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229-2011 SUBSTITUTES – CERTIFIED: Will moved to approve the following substitute teachers for the 2011-2012 school year pending proper certification:

Julie Haas, Jarod T. More, Jessica Pennington, Douglas Patrick Samuelson, Faruk Terzi, and Miranda Wilson

Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes.

230-2011 SUBSTITUTES-CERTIFIED: Will moved to approve Erin Weber as a substitute teacher for the 2011-2012 school year pending proper certification retroactive to October 20, 2011.

Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes.

231-2011 SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS: Taylor moved to approve the following Supplemental and Pupil Activity Contract for the 2011-2012 school year pending proper certification:

Supplemental Contract: Susan Parsons	Elementary Choir
Pupil Activity Contract: Monty Wood	Volunteer Assistant Coach 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach

Second by Hall.

VOTE: Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes.

232-2011 CONTINUING CONTRACT: Will moved to approve a continuing contract for Chad Griffith pending proper certification.

Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes.

233-2011 RESOLUTION: Will moved to adopt the following resolution to oppose HB 136 legislation, School Choice vouchers:

WHEREAS, the Ohio House of Representative is currently considering legislation that would significantly expand the availability of vouchers for students to attend private or parochial schools; and

WHEREAS, this legislation would grant vouchers to any public school student in Ohio to request and be granted a voucher, subject only to a family income standard of \$95,000 or less; and

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WHEREAS, such vouchers would be granted without regard to the academic performance of the public school that the student is assigned to attend; and

WHEREAS, the bill provides that students already enrolled in private or parochial schools would be eligible for such vouchers; and

WHEREAS, students receiving vouchers would be able to retain any excess funds in those instances where the cost of tuition is less than the value of the voucher for use in any private school or college in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the operation of the proposed program would take dollars directly from the already financially beleaguered local public school districts resulting in fewer resources for the education of the remaining students;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Local Board of Education does hereby express its opposition to this legislation, HB 136 School Choice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eastern Local Board of Education expresses its opposition to any legislation that seeks to transfer public dollars to support private education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer be directed to spread this resolution upon the minutes of the Board of Education and that copies of the resolution be forwarded to members of the Ohio House of Representatives.

Second by Will.

VOTE: Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes.

234-2011 ELEMENTARY GENERATOR: Will moved to approve the proposal/contract agreement between Panich and Noel Architects and the Eastern Local School District in the amount of \$3,000 for permit fees, preliminary design requirements, and code/construction compliance for the installation of a generator for the elementary kitchen.

Second by Eichinger.

VOTE: Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes.

235-2011 OPEN ENROLLMENT: Will moved to approve the following Open Enrollment student for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year:

New to the District:

Edward Kille	Federal Hocking	Grade 10
Madison Russell	Meigs Local	Grade 7

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Currently in District but Moved:

Jenna Dill	Meigs Local	Grade Kdg.
Ryan Dill	Meigs Local	Grade 4
Austin Gregg	Meigs Local	Grade 9

Second by Eichinger.

VOTE: Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes.

236-2011 DONATION APPROVAL: Hall moved to approve to donate the old high school scoreboards to the Bethel Worship Community Centers for the youth basketball program.

Second by Will.

VOTE: Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes.

237-2011 APPROPRIATIONS: Hall moved to approve amending the permanent appropriation resolution by increasing Fund 200.9265 (TAG Fund) \$775.00 and certify additional revenue to the Meigs County Auditor.

Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, yes.

238-2011 EXEMPT EMPLOYEE SALARY: Will moved to approve extending equivalent salary and benefits as defined in the OAPSE Contract to the administrative exempt employees retroactive to July 1, 2011.

Second by Taylor.

VOTE: Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, no; Hall, no.

239-2011 ATHENS-MEIGS ESC: Will moved to approve and agreement with the Athens-Meigs ESC for school year 2011-2012 to provide supervisory and educational support service at a cost of \$231,000.

Second by Taylor.

Mr. Gheen commented these are services we are currently already receiving, this is an approximate savings of 50% from last school year, and if we do not provide these services we would be out of compliance with IDEA.

VOTE: Taylor, yes; Will, yes; Eichinger, no; Hall, no; Rice, yes.

Mr. Eichinger appreciates every ones input.

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240-2011 SENIOR TRIP APPROVAL: Will moved to approve the senior trip agenda and destination as presented by Jayne Collins, Senior Class Advisor, and members of the senior class.  
Second by Eichinger.

VOTE: Will, yes; Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes.

241-2011 MEETING DATE AND TIME: Will moved to set the next regular meeting of the Eastern Local Board of Education for Wednesday, December 21, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.in the Eastern Library Conference Room.  
Second by Hall.

VOTE: Eichinger, yes; Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Will, yes.

Mr. Tom Morrissey requested to address the board. Mr. Morrissey communicated the difficult nature of the 2 hour delay professional in-service days for staff. When both parents work it is very frustration and difficult to cover the care of children. There is a disconnect with the education world and the working class.

241-2011 ADJOURNMENT: Will moved to adjourn the meeting and Taylor seconded the motion.

VOTE: Hall, yes; Rice, yes; Taylor, yes; Eichinger, yes; Will, yes.

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President

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Treasurer